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Excise Officers Arrest 11 at Purdue Tailgating

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (Nov. 5) – Indiana State Excise Police officers arrested 11 people during tailgating at Purdue University's home football game against Penn State on Saturday.

Excise officers arrested 10 people for illegal consumption of alcohol and also cited one minor for possession of false ID.

One parent was also arrested for furnishing alcohol to his underage son during tailgating. The man interrupted officers and was argumentative with them as they were writing his son a drinking ticket. Indiana law requires someone to be 21 years of age to possess or consume alcoholic beverages.

In Bloomington Saturday, excise officers arrested 18 people on 23 charges during tailgating at Indiana University's game against Iowa. Seventeen minors were charged with underage possession or consumption of alcohol.

As the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, the primary mission of the Indiana State Excise Police is to promote public safety by enforcing Indiana's Alcoholic Beverage Code. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related laws.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.